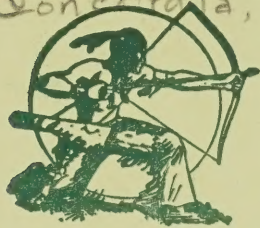


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Dear Customer:

I am pleased that I can again offer you Kansas Alfalfa after a shortage of this origin for the past 3 years. I think I have the finest selection of quality seeds ever in my experience, and at prices I feel sure will be attractive to you. You will find prices on most legumes lower than for several years, and it seems logical to me that this would be a good time to increase your acreage.

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Send your order for 5 bushels or more of Alfalfa, Clover or Hybrid Corn, singly or combined, on or before March 1st, and I'll send you as a bonus a fine, sturdy combination knife and screw driver, having blades of high carbon steel.

Make out your seed requirements now on the handy order envelope. I welcome your business and assure prompt, courteous and personal attention to your order. Prices are right before you to compare. It's the quickest way I know of to save money and by sending in your order NOW you get the knife bonus.

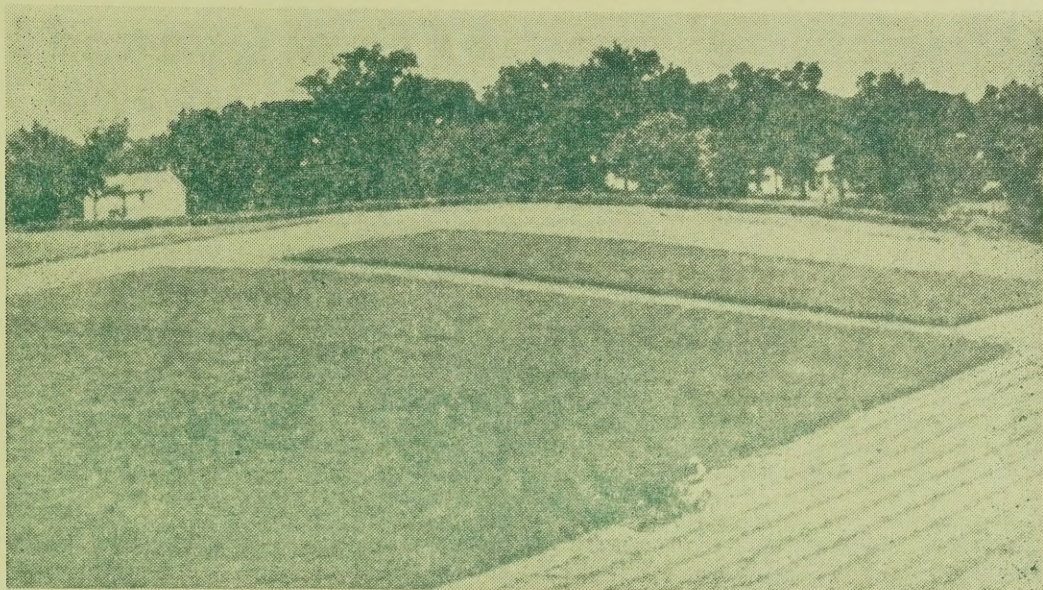
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Jack Bowman

"ARASAN" SEED TREATMENT

We are equipped to treat your legumes and grasses with "Arasan" seed disinfectant if desired. Amazing increases in stands and yields have been obtained from "Arasan" treatment, which we consider the best. Alfalfa stands increased up to 148%, Timothy 131%, Sudan 47%, Grasses 46½% have been obtained. WE WILL TREAT YOUR SEED BEFORE SHIPMENT FOR \$1.50 PER 100 LBS. (1½c PER LB.) additional. It protects seeds against soil-borne organisms that cause seed rot and poor germination, and protects seedlings against blights that cause thin stands and weak plants.

ALFALFA



BOWMAN'S CAREFULLY SELECT - ANALYZE AND TEST FOR YOUR PROTECTION.



Bowman's trained men in the field select only **QUALITY** seed with the best growth and purity. After being thoroughly cleaned over screen, gravity, disc and spiral separators and cleaners of the most modern design, are thoroughly and completely tested in our modern seed laboratory by trained analysts and in the field to insure you the most growth for the least money. Every bag comes to you tagged with full information to comply with your State and Federal Seed Laws.

SUGGESTED PLANTING DIRECTIONS

Have plenty of moisture to develop the plants after they start, and do not plant too deep.

Ground worked down until it is firm underneath and finely pulverized on top, seeded at the rate of 10 to 15 pounds to the acre, will give a better stand than a seeding of twice that amount on poorly prepared ground.

These four rules will insure a stand under normal conditions:—(1) Work seed-bed until it is firm beneath. A tiny alfalfa root cannot bridge on air pocket.

(2) Have surface soil finely pulverized. Germination will be poor unless particles pack tightly around seeds.

(3) Seed shallow. Few seeds covered more than three-fourths of an inch will push through. Surface seeding followed by rolling is about the best method.

(4) Be sure there is enough moisture for prompt germination and development of the plant.

HARROW — ROLL



PLANT — ROLL



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- **BETTER QUALITY**
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Hardy Alfalfa • Lot VIM • Kansas Grown



Here is an opportunity to get the finest stand of alfalfa you ever saw at a big saving. Lot VIM produces fine stemmed, leafy hay and stands the winters and dry weather extra good. Hardiness is bred into this seed. Although the germination per 100 seeds is lower, the GERMINATION PER POUND is HIGHER than bright plump seed as Lot VIM has about 30% more seed per pound than higher priced seed. There is plenty of germination in Lot VIM to give a whole of a good stand at 12 to 15 pounds per acre. Folks write stating "it gave me a better stand than seed that cost twice as much," and "it's the best stand of alfalfa I ever had." It is not as bright in appearance nor as plump as higher priced seed, but if you want the best stand of alfalfa in your neighborhood plant Lot VIM.

GROW MORE ALFALFA — INCREASE YOUR INCOME!

Lot BOW KANSAS GROWN

99 $\frac{1}{4}$ % Pure - 90% Germ.



**SEED SUPREME
AT NEW LOW PRICE**

This is the nationally famous Kansas Alfalfa, known everywhere for its extra high quality, unusual purity and freedom from undesirable weed seeds. Produced under dry-land conditions, hardiness is bred into this seed, for it comes from fields of long standing. Here in Kansas it is subjected to extremes of heat (up to 110 degrees) and cold (down to 30 degrees below) and often without snow covering. IT IS NOTED FOR ITS HEAVY YIELD OF HIGH QUALITY HAY. Lot BOW Kansas is distinguished for its unusually high quality and always pleases the most critical buyers. Its bright yellow, plump, uniform berries attract the eye, and we will put it up against any alfalfa in the country for quality. If you want an extremely hardy, result getting alfalfa, this will please you most. We are right here in North Central Kansas where this beautiful dry-land seed is produced.

Lot GOLD

GRIMM Kansas Grown

99 $\frac{1}{4}$ % Pure - 90% Germ.

The same, famous, extra fine quality as Lot BOW Hardy, except that it is GRIMM. The "hardest to please" are always more than satisfied with this beautiful Grimm seed. Produced under dry-land conditions of extreme heat and cold here in Kansas, you get the assurance of cold-resistant leafy GRIMM. All of our Kansas Grimm is U. S. Verified as North Kansas Grown, and most of it has been produced right up along the north tier of counties. We feel sure you will like the results this seed will give you in hay yield and hardiness, for most of these fields have been here many years.

*For Best Results -- Inoculate Alfalfa and Clovers
With **NITRAGIN**. See Prices on Back Page.*

Lot **BOW** Nebraska Grown Alfalfa

A northern origin alfalfa, this is the Dakota 12 type that is so well known over the country. Nebraska Alfalfa has always been known for its extreme hardiness and can be grown very successfully right up to the Canadian border. It is one of the most desirable in quality and hay yield of any of the northern varieties, and yet is produced under a very rigorous climate where intense cold gives thorough proof of its cold-resistance each winter. You cannot go wrong with this seed for it is a vigorous grower, and is adapted to all parts of the nation. Our Nebraska BOW Alfalfa is dry-land seed.

Lot **BOW** Utah Grown Alfalfa

A central origin alfalfa that is produced under very rigorous weather conditions of both extreme heat and intense cold. This seed is grown in northern Utah, and is considered to be as hardy as some of the northern origins. This is fine, plump, bright seed that has been very carefully processed and we believe you will find our Utah seed of better quality than most for it has been carefully selected under our supervision.

Lot **SURE** Grimm Alfalfa

This excellent seed buy is produced in the Northern part of the U. S., where Grimm Alfalfa originated. If you prefer the Grimm to the Common Alfalfa Seed we recommend Lot SURE to give you a good heavy stand for the least money. This is our most popular grade of Grimm, and will give you a fine, winter-hardy, leafy crop. Hundreds have told us of the money Lot SURE has saved them and of the fine stands obtained. Supply short—list second choice.

STATE CERTIFIED **RANGER** Wilt Resistant Alfalfa

A NEW alfalfa developed by the Nebraska Experiment Station and U. S. D. A. It is a multiple-strain variety produced from superior strains of Cossack, Turkistan and Ladak varieties. It is superior in winter-hardiness, being equal to Grimm in this respect. It is expected to replace Grimm, Canadian and other northern alfalfas in time. It is considered a very wilt-resistant alfalfa. It continues to yield on a high level for many years and can be expected to give top production for a period of 10 years. If you have had trouble with plants turning yellow or winter-kill, it very likely may be that wilt is your trouble. Ranger costs a little more but pays big profits in the long run. This seed comes packed in sealed bags. Our seed has been carefully selected for highest quality.

STATE CERTIFIED **BUFFALO** Wilt Resistant Alfalfa

A new highly Wilt Resistant Alfalfa, developed by the U. S. D. A. and Kansas Experiment Station. Good stands are maintained much longer than is possible with susceptible varieties. Hay yield is heavier, and especially over a period of years due to its perfect stand survival. More upright in growth and has more rapid recovery after cutting. Very winter hardy, with medium sized stem and makes luxuriant, leafy, top quality hay. Our seed is Blue Tag CERTIFIED seed to assure you a genuine pure stand of Buffalo. Packed in sealed 60 lb. bags. If we have to ship in part bag lots state tags cannot be attached, but it will be the same genuine certified stock. By all means try this wonderful new alfalfa. Write for our circular on Buffalo.

SWEET CLOVER



*Will add
80 to 100
pounds of
NITROGEN
per acre
and improve
your soil
structure!*

RESTORES POOR LAND — MAKES GOOD LAND BETTER IN NATURE'S OWN WAY.

Adds from 80 to 100 lbs. of nitrogen per acre, plus humus to your soil and improves soil structure. Time after time sweet clover has proved its ability to give a 15 to 25 bushel an acre yield increase in return for a planting cost of only about two dollars an acre. As an intercrop—sown in small grain this spring, plowed down next fall or spring for corn—it does not take the field out of cultivation. It's a bonus, pure and simple, and easy to collect. 10 pounds of seed can produce 20 tons, green weight, including roots, of some of the best green manure you ever turned under. Sweet Clover makes slow growth in spring, but by the first fall its taproot is big and deep, making nearly all its nitrogen the first season. Best time to plow down is the next spring to get the most nitrogen. For your biggest dollars worth of fertilizer, pasture, ensilage and soil improvement, seed sweet clover this spring. Many sow with oats using about 1 bu. oats per acre, and can be sown in wheat in the spring. An excellent honey crop. Plant 10 to 12 lbs. per acre.

Bi-ennial YELLOW Sweet Clover

**LOT
BOW**

99½% Pure

85% Germination

This is extra fine quality seed, 99½% or better pure, plump and of bright color. A biennial or two year yellow bloom clover, it is earlier and does not get as large as the white. It seems to stand drought and adverse conditions better and is better liked by many for these reasons. Yellow makes excellent pasture and is easier to handle because of its smaller growth, but does not give as much green manure when plowed down. Tests, however, have shown very little difference between white and yellow in amount of nitrogen added to the soil. This seed is hulled and scarified for quick germination.

For 18 Years!

We have been using your seeds since 1932, and have never had a failure. Yields are always good and they stand the winters better than most do. We had the most severe winter in 1949-50, and the crops from your seeds came thru in fine shape. We have a very fine stand of clover and brome seeded in 1949.

Baileys Harbor, Wisc.
Jacob Merkle, Sr.

NEW and BETTER
MADRID
YELLOW
SWEET CLOVER

A new yellow blossom biennial variety that has won much praise. Is more leafy, finer stemmed and starts more vigorously than other varieties. Growers report a more rapid growth with better stands. It is apparently much more palatable to livestock, for cattle graze it more evenly and appear to like it better after it has made heavy growth. An excellent variety for both pasture and to plow under. Order early for stocks are limited and demand above supplies available.

Bi-ennial WHITE
Sweet Clover
Lot BOW

The very finest quality Sweet Clover, 99¼% or better pure. Extremely hardy. If you want the brightest, plump Sweet Clover, we recommend our Lot BOW as being unsurpassed. The white type grows larger than the yellow and is desired in preference to any other by many for plowing under due to the larger amount of green manure. BOWMAN'S white is preferred above others by those who know Sweet Clover for it is generally purer. Hulled and scarified. A real soil builder.

Lot YEL Yellow Sweet Clover

Our most popular grade of Sweet Clover and will give you a dandy stand for a lot less money. Everyone should have Sweet Clover on their farm as there is no better soil builder, and it also makes a wonderful pasture. You want your farm to give maximum production and Sweet Clover will be a mighty big help in increasing your yields, as it is the best way to add nitrogen and humus to your soil. Hulled and scarified.

RED CLOVER

Lot BOW Medium

99¼% PURE — 90% GERMINATION

You can get no better Red Clover than our BOW brand. It has a smooth, uniform appearance we know will meet your approval. Very bright, plump, extra fancy grade that has been carefully selected by us as the best of this years crop. We know we are offering this seed at a mighty attractive price this year for seed of such fine quality, but we want you to become better acquainted with BOW Medium Red Clover. Many prefer this seed to any other they can buy, and come back to us year after year for their Red Clover needs. This is extra hardy and very pure, and will give you the results you want and expect from Red Clover. Order Bowmans Red Clover today—save money—and get the best stand you ever had.



Likes Our Seeds Best!

I like your seeds better than any others I have ever used. I have planted your alfalfa, clover and grass seeds for 7 or 8 years and haven't bought alfalfa from anyone except you since I started sowing your seeds, as haven't found any as good. I also have a better garden since I started planting your seeds, and they cost less and have more seeds in the package.

Doeville, Tenn.

John S. Reed

KOREAN LESPEDEZA

An annual that will grow on the poorest soils, makes fine pasture and is a good soil builder. Will stop soil washing and grow in ditches and gullies. Readily reseeds itself, and gives pasture when most other grasses are dormant. Fine in pasture mixtures. Our Korean is of the finest quality, with plump, uniform berries, and good pure seed. Is not quite as profitable on good soils as Sweet Clover, but better on acid and poor soils. Plant 12 to 15 lbs. per acre. Also note we have hulled and scarified seed. This is very pure and goes $\frac{1}{3}$ further in planting.

SERICEA LESPEDEZA

A PERENNIAL

This exceeds Korean as a soil builder. A perennial, it produces one main stem the first year, sends out many stems the second year, and gets finer and thick the following years. Grows two to four feet in height. Has wintered well as far north as southern Michigan and well suited to southern states. Has good carrying capacity. Sow 8 to 10 pounds per acre in March or April. Our seed is top quality and scarified for quick germination.

LADINO CLOVER

FOR NUTRITIOUS PASTURE

Here is one of the finest lots of Ladino Clover we have ever seen—99.75% pure and 95% germination—about as perfect as can be produced. This Ladino has been field inspected for trueness and we think you will agree that it is beautiful. We are most fortunate to secure this outstanding seed at an unusual price and we are pleased we can pass this saving along to you.

Ladino is an outstanding clover for pasture, silo and hay. Widely adapted, a perennial that is easy to start. Very high in protein and mineral content. Stems are erect, 10 to 12 inches long with fleshy stems that creep and root at joints. It covers the ground completely. Excellent for cattle, hogs, sheep, horses and poultry. It will carry more livestock than any other legume. Plant $\frac{1}{2}$ to 1 pound per acre mixed with Timothy, Blue Grass, Brome and sometimes with Alfalfa and Red Clover. By itself, plant 2 to 3 pounds per acre. Write for our pasture circular.

TIMOTHY

The most extensively grown hay grass. It is easy to establish a stand, inexpensive to sow, starts quickly and yields heavily. It stands up well, is easily cured and a profitable crop. Yields $1\frac{1}{2}$ to 3 tons per acre. An excellent grass for using in mixtures with clovers for hay and pasture. Our seed is the highest quality bright seed, 99% or better pure. Sow 10 to 12 pounds per acre.

RED TOP GRASS

Starts early in spring and grows vigorously till late fall. Will grow on soils low in lime, is next to Reeds Canary Grass for wet land, and is also drought resistant. It germinates quickly and is easy to get a stand, maturing hay at about the same time as Timothy. Makes quick pasture, good for prevention of soil erosion or waterways, it will stand close grazing and trampling. Well adapted over a wide area. Sow in early spring or fall at rate of 10 pounds per acre alone or 5 pounds per acre in mixtures.

BROME GRASS

**BIG GROWING • HEAVY YIELDING • SOUTHERN TYPE
MOST PALATABLE - MOST PROTEIN
MOST VALUABLE GRASS**

This is the new extra large growing Brome that is sweeping the country. Will give more forage and hay than any other variety and is well worth the difference in price. An Excellent yielding and drought-resistant, long-lived grass. Starts early and grows late. Produces a very palatable and nourishing pasture and hay. In good years it can be cut as much as three times and will produce up to 7 tons of hay per acre. It will produce one seed crop and one hay crop afterwards. It builds the soil. Does well on clay, loam and sandy soils. Lasts years, yet easily plowed out. It will stand the most severe winters, and will stay green when other grasses are dormant. Seed 15 to 20 pounds per acre on a well-prepared and solid seed bed. Use a packer before and after seeding if possible. PLANT IN SPRING, FEBRUARY TO APRIL, AND FALL, AUGUST TO OCTOBER. One of the best grasses for ditch banks. OUR STOCK OF SEED IS THE FINEST QUALITY KANSAS AND NEBRASKA GROWN. This Brome produces more forage and hay than the northern varieties. We would like to see every one of you have this Brome on your farm. You will find these acres the most valuable on the place. Much higher in protein and bigger yielder than most any other grass.

BROME AND ALFALFA — A WONDERFUL MIXTURE

BROME GRASS is unquestionably the best grass to mix with alfalfa for pasture and hay. It has been producing outstanding results. As proof, in experiments of Ohio and Kansas Agricultural Colleges, this mixture has given 3 to 4 times as much forage as Brome alone, and since Brome is an outstanding heavy producer alone it is easy to see why this mixture is being used so widely. For pasture and hay usually 10 pounds of Brome is planted to 5 pounds of Alfalfa per acre. Will give you a permanent pasture when other permanent pastures are low yielding. It will pay you heavy dividends.



Best Stand of Hay Ever Grown!

The Bowman Seed Co.
Concordia, Kansas.

Dear Sirs: I received an excellent stand of hay from your Lot "VIM" Alfalfa seed. It is the best stand of hay of any kind I ever grew regardless of any kind and regardless of price of seed. I highly recommend Bowman's to anyone for good stands of hay at a low seeding rate per acre. Have told my friends about your seed.

Quarryville, Pa.

Yours truly, Walter P. McKinney.

KENTUCKY 31 FESCUE (Certified)

A widely adapted grass, especially well for acid upland. It will grow on poor soil, in shade, and in wet areas due to its dense root system. Is very drought resistant, and hardy in climates of zero temperatures. Can be seeded either in spring or fall. Seed at 15-20 lbs. per acre alone or with any legume such as White Dutch, Ladino, Alfalfa or Lespedeza. Very palatable, and preferred to any other grass for pasture from September to June. Good for erosion control. Remember the better the soil, the more and better pasture you will get from any grass. For highest quality pasture keep grass grazed to about 3 inches and keep it growing.

REEDS CANARY GRASS

A very leafy, heavy producing permanent grass. Here is a grass you can grow on exceedingly wet or bog land but yet is also drought resistant. Good for pasture, hay and waterways, it is widely adapted and long lived. Will give pasture from early spring to fall. Grows 5 to 6 feet high and will yield 3 to 4 tons of hay per acre in two cuttings. Sow about 8 pounds per acre on a firm seed bed. It is the answer for a crop on your wet land and for soil erosion.

PERENNIAL RYE GRASS

The quickest growing grass. A perennial, it lives over winter. Not as long lived as some grasses but starts earlier in spring and grows rapidly to provide early feed and to form a quick sod while other grasses are getting started. It is usually planted in the spring and is excellent in pasture mixtures. Sow 20 to 35 pounds per acre alone or 5 to 10 pounds per acre in mixtures. We also have the Annual Rye Grass that matures in one season.

GRAIN AND FODDER SEEDS

FARR WHITE MARTIN MILO

A NEW EARLY WHITE COMBINE TYPE

This outstanding new dwarf white milo, which averages 40 inches in height, and matures in 95 days, has the characteristics everyone likes. Heads are long with open branches that dry quickly after maturity. The grain is soft, but does not crack as much as other milos in combining or threshing. Leaves are low on the stalk while the seed head is on a well-exerted stem. It is equal to and very similar to the justly popular Martins Milo, except for its white, palatable seed, which is more desirable than the red and brown grains with their more bitter flavor. We believe it will replace the older, tall types of kafir, and is superior to 44-14 in earliness and standability. Mr. Robert Pitner, one of our growers of this seed stock, who has raised many acres of milo says, "I am very enthusiastic about Farr White Martin. It is early, and the easiest milo to combine I have ever raised. It produced 75 bushels per acre, and everyone who has looked at this field is very interested in this crop and also be one of its enthusiastic users too, once you have tried it.



75 bushels per acre, and everyone who has looked at this field is very interested in this crop and wants some of the seed." We are sure you will also be one of its enthusiastic users too, once you have tried it.

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**19 SELECT VARIETIES
EXTRA LARGE PACKETS**

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FINEST QUALITY SEED**



A Complete Garden - A Real Bargain

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| 1 Pkt. Beans, Burpee's Stringless Green Pod | 1 Pkt. Parsnip, Hollow Crown |
| 1 Pkt. Beans, Pencil Pod Black Wax | 1 Pkt. Radish, White Icicle |
| 1 Pkt. Peas, Early Giant Pod | 1 Pkt. Radish, Crimson Giant |
| 1 Pkt. Sweet Corn, Hybrid Earliest of All | 1 Pkt. Spinach, Bloomsdale Long Std. |
| 1 Pkt. Beet, Early Can Red | 1 Pkt. Squash, Table Queen (Acorn) |
| 1 Pkt. Cabbage, Copenhagen Market | 1 Pkt. Tomato, Bounty |
| 1 Pkt. Carrot, Nantes Coreless | 1 Pkt. Turnip, Purple Top Globe |
| 1 Pkt. Cucumber, Chicago Pickle | 1 Pkt. Muskmelon, Imp. Perfecto |
| 1 Pkt. Lettuce, Grand Rapids | 1 Pkt. Watermelon, Early Kansas |
| | 1 Pkt. Surprise Gift |

As these are packed in advance, no substitutions can be made.

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BULK PACKETS 10c EACH**

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3 Pkts. 27c (value 30c)
6 Pkts. 48c (value 60c)
12 Pkts. 84c (value \$1.20)

(VARIETIES AS YOU REQUEST)

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FRESH BULK SEED**

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BEANS

Lb. 40c

- (Dwarf Greed Pod)
- Black Valentine
- Burpee's Stringless Green Pod
- Bountiful Stringless
- Tendergreen 45c
- Full Measure
- Giant Stringless
- Horticultural, Dwarf or Tall
- Improved Red Valentine
- Logan 45c
- Tennessee Green Pod
- Top Crop 50c
- Wade Bush 50c
- (Dwarf Wax Pod)
- Davis White Wax
- Improved Golden Wax
- Pencil Pod Black Wax
- Round Pod Kidney Wax
- Sure Crop Black Wax
- (Pole)
- Kentucky Wonder Green Pod
- Kentucky Wonder Wax
- Speckled Cut Short (Corn Hill)
- Yard Long or Asparagus
- (Lima Beans)
- Burpee's Imp. Bush
- Fordhook Bush 45c
- Henderson Bush
- Speckled Bush
- King of Garden Pole 45c
- (Shell Beans)
- Great Northern (Navy)
- Pinto
- Red Kidney

BEETS

Oz. 20c ¼ lb. 70c

- Crosby's Egyptian
- Detroit Dark Red
- Early Can-Red (earliest) 25c
- Early Blood Turnip
- Early Wonder
- Swiss Chard or Foliage Beet
- (Stock and Sugar)
- Giant Half Sugar Rose
- Klein Wanzleben (Sugar)
- Mammoth Long Red

CABBAGE

½ oz. 20c Oz. 40c

- Copenhagen Market
- Early Flat Dutch
- Early Jersey Wakefield
- Golden Acre
- Late Flat Dutch
- Marion Market (Yellows Res.)
- Chinese or Celery Cabbage

CARROTS

Oz. 25c

- Chantenay
- Danvers Half Long
- Improved Long Orange
- Oxheart
- Nantes Improved Coreless

CAULIFLOWER

¼ oz. 95c Oz. \$3.00

- Early Snowball

CELERY

¼ oz. 35c Oz. 60c

- Golden Self Blanching

SWEET CORN

Lb. 35c

- Adams Extra Early 30c
- All-Weather Evergreen (White)
- Country Gentleman (White)
- Early Evergreen (White)
- Early Minnesota (White)
- Golden Bantam
- Golden Giant
- Howling Mob (White)
- Kancross (Yellow)
- Sixty Day White
- Stowell's Evergreen (White)
- Truckers Favorite 30c
- Whipple's Early Yellow

HYBRID SWEET CORN

Lb. 50c

- Blend of Hybrids (4 varieties)
- Country Gentleman Hybrid 65c
- Earliest of All (80 days) 60c
- Evergreen Hybrid (92 days) 60c
- Golden Cross Bantam (95 days)
- Golden Rocket (85 days) 60c
- Marcross (75 days)
- Tendergold (78 days)

CUCUMBER

Oz. 25c

- Boston Pickle
- Chicago Pickle
- Davis Perfect
- Early Cluster
- Early Fortune
- Everbearing
- Improved Long Green
- Improved White Spine
- National Pickle
- Niagara (new, extra good) oz. 50c
- Staygreen
- Straight 8
- West India Gherkin
- Woodruff's Hybrid oz. 80c

LETTUCE

Oz. 20c ¼ lb. 65c

- Black Seeded Simpson
- Chicken Lettuce 15c
- Denver Market (Heading)
- Early Curled Simpson
- Grand Rapids
- Hanson (Heading)
- Iceberg (Heading)
- New York (Heading)
- Oak Leaf 30c
- Prizehead (Red Edged Leaf)
- Salad Bowl 35c
- White Cos (Celery Lettuce)

MUSKMELON

Oz. 20c

- Banana (Salmon Flesh)
- Burrell's Gem (Pink Flesh)
- Early Hackensack (Green Flesh)
- Emerald Gem (Salmon Flesh)
- Greeley Wonder (Salmon Flesh)
- Green Nutmeg
- Hale's Best (Salmon Flesh)
- Hale's Best—Jumbo
- Hale's Best No. 45 (Mildew Res.)
- Hearts of Gold (Salmon Flesh)
- Honey Dew (Green Flesh)
- Honey Rock (Salmon Flesh)
- Large Hackensack (Green Flesh)
- Netted Gem (Rocky Ford Green)
- Ossage or Millers Cream (Sal.)
- Rocky Ford Perfecto (Salmon)
- Shumway Giant (Salmon)

WATERMELON

Oz. 20c ¼ lb. 45c

- *Oz. 25c ¼ lb. 65c
- Black Diamond (Fla. Giant) 15c
- Citron
- Cole's Early
- Dixie Queen *
- Early Kansas
- Georgia Rattlesnake
- Golden Honey
- Halbert's Honey
- Irish Grey
- Improved Kleckley Sweet
- Kleckley Sweet
- Klondike Black Seed *
- Klondike Striped *
- New Hampshire Midget 40c
- Northern Sweet *
- Sweetheart
- Stone Mountain
- Thurmond Grey
- Tom Watson (Cut Red)
- King and Queen (winter)
- Wilson Sweet (Black Seed) *
- Wilson Sweet (White Seed) *
- (Wilt Resistant)
- Hawkesbury *
- Kleckley Sweet Imp. No. 6 *
- Stone Mountain Imp. No. 5 *

ONION

Oz. 60c ¼ lb. \$2.00

- Bermuda (Yellow)
- Prizetaker
- Red Weathersfield
- Southport White Globe
- White Portugal
- White Sweet Spanish
- Yellow Globe Danvers
- Yellow Sweet Spanish

PARSLEY

Oz. 25c

- Moss Curled

PARSNIP

Oz. 20c ¼ lb. 65c

- Hollow Crown

PEAS

Lb. 35c

- (Dwarf)
- American Wonder
- Early Favorite (Extra Good)
- Early Giant Pod (Best)
- Brown Sugar Crowder
- Dwarf Telephone
- Edible Pod Sugar
- Fillbasket
- Laxton's Progress (Best)
- Little Gem
- Little Marvel
- Nott's Excelsior
- Premium or Little Gem
- Tom Thumb
- (Semi-Dwarf)
- Early Alaska
- Early Candy (Sweetest)
- First & Best
- Everbearing
- (Tall)
- Alderman or Tall Telephone
- Black Eyed Peas
- Thomas Laxton

PEANUTS (SEED)

½ lb. 25c 1 lb. 45c

- Large Jumbo
- Tennessee Red
- Small Spanish

PEPPERS

½ oz. 25c Oz. 45c

- California Wonder
- Chinese Giant
- Harris Early Giant
- Large Bell or Bull Nose
- Long Red Cayenne
- Pimento
- Ruby King
- Red Chili

PUMPKIN

Oz. 15c ¼ lb. 40c

- Connecticut Field
- Kentucky Field
- Cushaw, Green Striped
- Cushaw, Golden
- Cushaw, White
- King of the Mammoths
- Small Sugar or Pie

RADISH

Oz. 10c ¼ lb. 30c

- Crimson Giant
- Early Scarlet Globe
- Early Scarlet Turnip White Tip
- Early White Hallstone
- French Breakfast
- Long Scarlet Short Top
- White Icicle
- White Strassburg
- (Winter Variety)
- China Rose
- Long Black Spanish
- White Chinese or Celestial

SPINACH

Oz. 15c ¼ lb. 40c

- Bloomsdale Long Standing
- Giant Nobel Thick Leaved
- King of Denmark
- New Zealand oz. 20c

SQUASH

Oz. 20c ¼ lb. 50c

- Banana
- Cocozelle (Green)
- Crookneck Squash (Striped)
- Early White Bush Scallop
- Giant Summer Straightneck
- Golden Summer Crookneck
- Golden Hubbard
- Italian Vegetable Marrow
- Improved Warted Hubbard
- Spaghetti
- Sweet Potato or Delicata
- Table Queen (Acorn)
- Zucchini Green

TOMATO

½ oz. 25c Oz. 45c

***½ oz. 35c Oz. 60c**

(Early)

- Bounty
- Bison
- Break O'Day
- Earliana

- Firesteel
- John Baker
- June Peck
- Penn. State Earliana
- Red Head
- (Intermediate)
- Bonny Best (forcing)
- Burgess Trip-L-crop Climber
- Chalk's Early Jewell
- Greater Baltimore
- Marglobe
- New Stone
- Pritchard or Scarlet Topper
- Rutgers
- Stocksdale
- Stokescross No. 5 Pkt. 25c
- (Late)
- Beefsteak or Cr. Cushion
- Oxheart *
- Ponderosa *
- (Yellow and White Variety)
- Golden Queen
- Jubilee (Yellow)
- White Beauty
- Yellow Pear
- Yellow Plum
- Yellow Ponderosa *

TURNIP

Oz. 15c ¼ lb. 35c Lb. 90c

- Early White Egg
- Pomeranian White Globe
- Purple Top Strap Leaf
- Purple Top White Globe
- Rutabaga, Purple Top Yellow
- Shogoin or Foliage (for Greens)

VEGETABLES TO FILL OUT YOUR GARDEN

- ASPARAGUS, M. W. (oz. 20c)
- BROCCOLI (¼ oz. 12c)
- BRUSSELS SPROUTS (½ oz. 30c)
- DILL, Long Island Mammoth (½ oz. 15c) (Oz. 25c)
- EGG PLANT
- Black Beauty
- N. Y. Imp. Spineless (½ oz. 30c) (Oz. 50c)
- ENDIVE, Green Curled
- Batavian Broad Leaf (Oz. 25c) (¼ lb. 80c)
- KALE, Dwarf Green
- Tall Green (Oz. 30c) (¼ lb. \$1.00)
- KOHL RABI, Ea. White Vienna
- Purple Vienna (½ oz. 15c) (Oz. 30c)
- MUSTARD, So. Giant Curled
- Ostrich Plume
- Smooth Leaf
- Tendergreen (M. Spinach) (Oz. 15c) (¼ lb. 45c)
- OKRA, Dwarf Green Mam. Pod
- Perkins Mammoth
- White Velvet (Oz. 15c) (¼ lb. 30c)
- RHUBARB, Myatts Victoria (½ oz. 15c) (Oz. 25c)
- SALSIFY (Oyster Plant) (Oz. 35c) (¼ lb. \$1.25)
- THYME (Pkt. 10c)
- TOBACCO, White Ruby (Pkt. 10c) (Oz. 45c)
- SAGE, Broadleaf (Pkt. 10c)

ALL GARDEN SEED PRICES POSTPAID TO YOU — WRITE FOR PRICES ON LARGER QUANTITIES

SAMPLES SENT ON REQUEST: We will be glad to send samples if you would like to see our seed before ordering. Our samples are big so you can easily see the quality of Bowman's Better Seeds. We guarantee our seeds fully equal to the samples.

TESTED SEED: On some lots below the purity and germination is given for your information. First figure is purity and second figure after the symbol (/) is germination. Thus 99/90 means 99% pure and 90% germination. All our seed is carefully tested for purity and germination by trained seed analysts, and tagged before shipment.

The Bowman Seed Company warrants to the extent of the purchase price that seeds sold are as described on the container within recognized tolerances. Seller gives no other or further warranty, express or implied. **JANUARY 22, 1953**

HARDY ALFALFA SEED (U. S. Verified Origin)

	60 lb. Bu.	100 lbs.
Lot "VIM" Kansas Grown.....	98/70.. \$17.70	\$29.50
Lot "BOW" Kansas Grown.....	99 1/4 /90.. 23.70	39.50
Lot "BOW" Nebraska Grown.....	99 1/4 /90.. 24.60	41.00
Lot "BOW" Utah Grown.....	99 1/4 /90.. 23.40	39.00
Lot "BOW" Buffalo, Kansas Grown.....	27.00	45.00
RANGER, Blue Tag Certified	30.00	50.00
BUFFALO, Blue Tag Certified	30.00	50.00
BUFFALO, Blue Tag Registered.....	39.60	66.00

GRIMM ALFALFA

Lot "SURE" Grimm, Northern Grown.....	97/70.. 18.90	31.50
Lot "GOLD" Grimm, Kansas Grown.....	99 1/4 /90.. 24.00	40.00
Lot "LAD" Ladak, Montana Grown.....	97/70..	out

SWEET CLOVER

Biennial Yellow

Lot "YEL" Scarified.....	97/70.. 7.50	12.50
Lot "BOW" Scarified.....	99 1/2 /85.. 9.90	16.50
Madrid Yellow (New).....	99 1/2 /85.. 16.80	28.00

Biennial Mainly White

Lot "PAT" Scarified	98/70..	Sold out
Lot "BOW" Scarified	99 1/2 /85.. 10.20	17.50

CLOVERS (U. S. Grown)

Lot "KING" Medium Red Clover.....	97/70..	Sold out
Lot "BOW" Medium Red Clover.....	99 1/4 /90.. 24.00	40.00
Low "BOW" Alsike Clover.....	99 1/4 /90.. 25.50	42.50
Lot "BOW" White Dutch Clover.....	99/90.. 39.00	65.00
Lot "BOW" Ladino Giant Clover.....	99 1/2 -95.. 57.00	95.00

Small Lots, 5 lbs. \$5.95, 10 lbs. \$11.50, 30 lbs. \$31.00, Post Paid

On all Alfalfa and Clover Seeds ABOVE we will allow a discount as follows:

5 Bushel lots 10c off for each bushel.	(15c per 100)
10 Bushel lots 15c off for each bushel.	(25c per 100)
15 Bushel lots 20c off for each bushel.	(33c per 100)

LESPEDEZA

Lespedeza, Korean (Annual), 98% pure.....	\$15.60	\$26.00
Lespedeza, Korean, Hulled and Scarified, 99% pure, (goes 1/2 farther).....	16.80	28.00
Lespedeza, Sericea Scarified (Perennial) 99% pure.....	22.80	38.00

GRASSES

Timothy, 99 1/4 /90	\$23.00
Brome Grass, Kansas Achenbach Type.....	39.00
Brome Grass, Nebraska Lincoln Type.....	39.00
Brome Grass, Certified Achenbach.....	45.00
Kentucky 31 Fescue Certified.....	32.00
Orchard Grass	30.00
Reeds Canary Grass	40.00
Rye Grass, Annual, 99% pure.....	15.50
Rye Grass, Perennial, Certified.....	22.00
Red Top Grass, Fancy, extra heavy.....	54.00
Bermuda Grass, Fancy (hulled).....	79.00
Kentucky Blue Grass, Extra Fancy.....	66.00
Buffalo Grass (Treated).....	10 lbs. postpaid \$12.50
Blue Grama	out
Sand Love Grass	95.00

MILLET

German Millet, Fancy	\$12.00
Siberian or Red Millet, Fancy.....	out
Mixed Millet	out

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SUDAN

Fancy, heavy seed, free of Johnson Grass.....	100 lbs. \$16.00
Sweet Sudan, free of Johnson Grass.....	17.00

CANE SEED, For Fodder—Extra Fancy Grade

Kansas Orange	100 lbs. \$16.00
Sourless Orange	16.00
African Millet, Orange	16.00
Rox Orange	16.00
Sumac or Red Top Cane.....	16.00
Early Sumac	16.00
Early Sumac Certified	19.00
Leoti Red	16.00
Mixed Cane	---

ATLAS SORGO—Extra Fine Quality

Atlas Sorgo (from fields inspected by us).....	\$15.00
Atlas Sorgo, Kansas Blue Tag Certified.....	20.00
Norkan, Kansas Blue Tag Certified.....	---
Norkan	13.00
Ellis Sorgo, Kansas Blue Tag Certified.....	18.00
Ellis Sorgo	13.00

GRAIN SORGHUMS—Fancy Grade

Kaffir, Black Hull White.....	100 lbs. \$ 8.00
Kaffir, Pink	8.00
Milo, Farris White Martin (height 3 ft.).....	8.00
Milo Maize, Westland, Blue Tag Certified.....	8.00
Milo Maize, Midland, Blue Tag Certified.....	8.00
Milo Maize, Martins Combine, Blue Tag Certified.....	8.00

MISCELLANEOUS SEEDS

Sunflower Seed.....	5 lbs. postpaid \$2.00	\$25.00
Dwarf Essex Rape.....		19.00
Pop Corn, South American Yellow.....	10 lbs \$2.50 PP	15.00
Pop Corn, Jap Hulless Seed.....	10 lbs \$2.50 postpaid	18.00
Hybrid Yellow Pop Corn (K4), 1 lb. 75c; 5 lbs. \$3.25 postpaid		
Hybrid White Hulless Pop Corn. 1 lb. 75c; 5 lbs. \$3.25 postpaid		

FUNK G HYBRIDS (The Nation-Wide Favorite)

	per bu.
Large or Medium Flats (Treated)	
Funk G 91 (105 days).....	\$11.90
Funk G 94 (110 days).....	11.90
Funk G 95 (108 days).....	11.90
Funk G 99 (112 days).....	11.90
Funk G 79 (115 days).....	11.90
Funk G 80 (120 days).....	11.90
Funk G 98 (118 days).....	11.90
Funk G 711 (130 days).....	11.90
Funk G 16A (90 days).....	11.90
Funk G 50 (100 days).....	11.90
Funk G 77A (95 days).....	11.90
Funk G 777 White (125 days).....	12.90

On HYBRID CORN Only we pay Freight on orders of 2 bushels or more.

LAWN GRASS

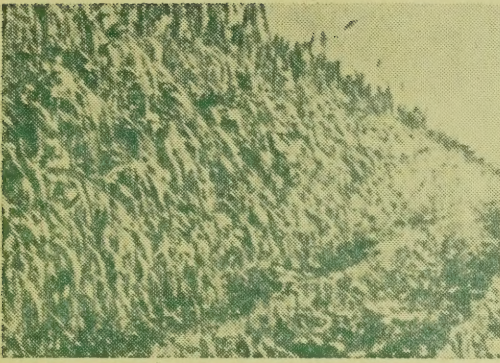
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	1 lb.	5 lbs.	10 lbs.	25 lbs.
Kentucky Blue Grass, extra quality.....	\$.95	\$4.65	\$9.00	\$21.50
Stagreen Mixed Lawn Grass.....	.95	4.40	8.50	20.50
Smoothlawn Mixture	1.00	4.65	9.00	21.50
Bent Grass	1.50	7.35	14.50	35.00
Bermuda Grass, Fancy hulled.....	1.20	5.20	10.00	23.50
White Dutch Lawn Clover.....	1.30	6.35	12.50	30.00

CYCLONE SEED SOWERS \$4.25 Postpaid
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Atlas Sorgho

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This has been our specialty ever since it was originated in this district. It is a cross between Sourless Orange Cane and Blackhull White Kafir. Like most hybrids it combines in one variety not only the characteristics of the two parents, but develops other improved traits. This outstanding trait is tremendous yield both in forage tonnage and grain. It grows 7 to 10 feet, and requires about 120 days to mature. It is sturdy, has a leafy stalk, abundantly juicy and sweet. Heads are compact and cylindrical in shape. Atlas is superior to Kansas

Orange cane in resistance to lodging and in having a white, very palatable grain, and the forage is fully as good or better than Kansas Orange or Sumac Cane. Makes excellent silage. For grain and forage plant 4 to 5 lbs. per acre. For forage only, drill 75 lbs. per acre. We have both Kansas State Certified and Atlas inspected in the field by our own men.

SWEET SUDAN

NUTRITIOUS — HIGHLY PRODUCTIVE

Livestock has proved the high palatability of this sweet, juicy variety in numerous grazing tests. Invariably they eat the Sweet Sudan down to the ground while only nipping at the regular, leaving it standing at least a foot high. This grazing preference increases as the crop nears maturity. Sweet Sudan is also more disease resistant. Yields 4 to 10 tons of cured hay per acre. Is a profitable, quick growing crop, making fine summer pasture during hot months. Sow 20 to 25 lbs. per acre. Our seed is free of Johnson Grass and highest quality.

COMMON SUDAN

QUICK PASTURE—DROUGHT RESISTANT

Grows 4 to 7 feet high and yields 4 to 10 tons of cured hay per acre. Livestock relish it and has good feeding value. Is a profitable, quick-growing crop, making fine summer pasture during hot months. Is a sure crop and easy to grow. Everyone should have Sudan. Sow 20 to 25 lbs. per acre. Our stock is excellent quality, free of Johnson grass.

Kansas Orange Cane

Our seed stock is exceptionally nice quality with high germination. This cane has a very sweet stalk, used sometimes for sorghum. Grows 8 to 10 feet high and matures in about 120 days. Makes unusually good fodder and ensilage, and is the best of all canes. Fodder stays sweet all winter. An enormous yielder and fine drought resister. Your livestock will relish it and fatten on it. For the best cane order from Bowman's. Drill in close rows 75 to 100 lbs. per acre for fodder.

Certified Martins Milo

A combine milo that is planted on more acres than any other. An outstanding yielder, it has proved its grain producing ability over the entire middle west and in the south. Stands up well, head well-exserted, dries quickly. Easy to combine and matures in 95 to 100 days. Grain not quite as palatable as our Farr White Martin or Midland or Westland. Grows about 40 inches high. List 4 to 5 pounds per acre.

Certified Westland Milo

A cross between Milo and Kafir. Strictly a heavy grain producer. Grain is sweet and excellent for poultry and livestock feed. Stands up under the most adverse conditions. Grows 24 to 36 inches high, and matures in 100 days. Because of its short growth can be combined as is wheat. Plant 4 to 5 lbs. per acre.

Certified Midland Milo

A new combine Hybrid that is a cross between Kalo and Milo. Heavy grain producer with sweet stalk, which is an unusual merit in milo. Grows 38 to 45 inches high and matures in 95 to 100 days. After combining off the grain turn stock into it to pasture. Will produce 40-75 bu. of grain per acre.



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Gentlemen: The alfalfa seed I bought from you was planted 12 lbs. to the acre with no nurse crop. I have an excellent stand with two cuttings of hay with a yield of about three tons. Your seeds have always proved satisfactory and I recommend them to all my neighbors.
Yours truly, J. M. Jackson.

Saves 33% to 50%!

Cayuga, Ind.
Gentlemen: I have had better stands of alfalfa from seed bought of you than from any other. It produces well and stands the winter and dry weather extra good. I plant 10 lbs. to the acre. It has stood as long as eight years before replanting. I prefer your Lot "VIM," the smallest, which gives more seed per acre. I have a better stand than my neighbors and their seed costs two times more money. I have got two to two and a half tons of hay per acre. I am very well pleased with your seed. I really save money—from one-third to one-half—by buying from you, even after I pay the freight to Cayuga.

Sincerely yours,
John S. Kinderman

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Through the years that I have purchased seed through your company I have saved considerable money. The hay yields have been very good and the quality has been much more than my expectations. I have more than succeeded with your clovers, grasses, and your alfalfa has proved hardy and resists heaving, which is a problem, especially this past winter. I have been using your Lot VIM in crop rotations and find nothing better for a soil builder. I have used Bowmans Seeds for 8 years and highly recommend your field and garden seeds to everyone.

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COMBINATION (AB)		SOYBEANS (S)	
Size	Retail	Size	Retail
1 bu. ea.55	2 bu. ea.40
2 bu. ea.95	5 bu. ea.60
		25 bu. ea.	2.70
		(One can)	

ALFALFA (A)
Swt., Bur, Hubam Clover
1 bu. ea.\$.55

CLOVERS (B)
Red, Alsike, Crimson,
White and Ladino.
1/8 bu. (Ladino)
each\$.18
1 bu. ea.\$.55

LESPEDEZA (L)
100 lb. size (Inoculates
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PEAS, (C)
VETCHES (All But Crown)
100 lb. size (Inoculates
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GARDEN SIZE—Peas, Beans, Sweet Peas, Lupines,
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Enough for 8 lbs. seed — Retail Price 15c each

BEANS (D)
Navy, Pinto, Wax,
String, Kidney and
Great Northern
1 bu. ea.55

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COW PEAS (E)**
2 bu. ea.\$.40

SPECIAL CULTURES—
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foot Trefoil, Lima
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